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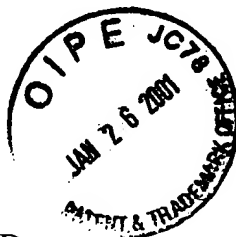
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/616,731

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Inventor(s):

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Title: METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR THE
DELIVERY OF SAMPLES
TO A CHEMICAL
SENSOR ARRAY

Examiner: Unknown
Group/Art Unit: 1743
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

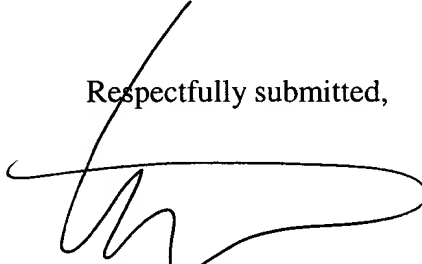
In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-412, 468-489, 493-725, and 727-729 without prejudice.

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It is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any fees are due, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Conley, Rose & Tayon Deposit Account No. 03-2769/5119-00517/EBM.

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